

SPRINGVALE TOWNSHIP
AUGUST 4, 2021
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The Township Officers met for its regular monthly board meeting with members present: Jacob Gillard, Steve Lindgren, Bill Friedland, Michelle Kleven, and Kurt Koester. Gillard called the meeting to order at 6:31 PM. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Friedland made a motion to approve the prepared agenda with the following amendments: removing Hunters Special Final Plat review under Roads; seconded by Lindgren. Motion carried unanimously.

NEIGHBORHOOD ROAD IMPROVEMENT: Tim Haugo was present from Bolten & Menk to discuss a potential road improvement by bituminous for Vale Drive and Xeon Street in section 26. All residents with land affected by this potential road improvement were notified by postal mail. There were 14 property owners present. There were 3 property owners opposed, Isaac Borer and David & Gina Tompkins. There was some discussion. Kleven read resolution 2021.2 Ordering Preparation of Report on Improvement. Lindgren made a motion to approve resolution 2021.2; seconded by Gillard. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Friedland made a motion to approve the minutes from the July Board meeting; seconded by Lindgren. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF TREASURER REPORT: Koester read the Treasurer's reports and updated the town board on permits. There was some discussion. Friedland made a motion to approve the July treasurer reports and approve waiving Dalbo Fire Department's driveway permit fee for the new water source property; seconded by Lindgren. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: Kleven discussed gopher bounty, claims, and payroll. Lindgren made a motion to approve gopher bounty claim #1015 in the amount of \$62.50, claims #8641-#8650 for the total amount of \$18992.81, and payroll in the amount of \$2150.18; seconded by Friedland. Motion carried unanimously. There was discussion regarding recycling day fund and account disbursements. Kleven discussed August invoices. There was some discussion. Friedland made a motion to approve mailing invoices #1189 for David Mohs engineering fee's , #1190 for Carpentier's swing arm post replacement, and #1191.A-F for residents of the private road 337th Avenue and Jivaro Street see ROADS; seconded by Lindgren. Motion carried unanimously. Kleven discussed new CTAS software and coding updates, as well as the Township commercial insurance renewal. There was some discussion.

ROADS/SIGNS: Don Hansen presented the final plat of Bjorks Northwoods II in section 17 to the town board. There was some discussion. Friedland made a motion to approve the final plat of Bjorks Northwoods II and approve Gillard to resign the approved Chipmunk Meadows Final Plat mylars; seconded by Lindgren. Motion carried unanimously. There was some discussion regarding ordering signs. The town board asked Kleven to order 2- 45 MPH caution signs and 911 address signs- 35530 Blackfoot, 00156 HWY 95, and other address driveway permit signs as needed. Steve Hass was present to discuss town roads and magnesium chloride updates with the town officers. There was discussion regarding 361st Court and the final draft of resolution 2012.3 removing the minimum maintenance road designation. There was some discussion regarding Hass Construction's past due private gravel costs, legal easement documents and fees, and draft resolutions pertaining Robert Towler's private road 337th and Jivaro acquisition. The town board asked Kleven to mail a letter and invoices to residents within the 337th and Jivaro private road acquisition with information discussed. The town board discussed contacting Knife River regarding blacktopping the access of Blackfoot Street south of HWY 95 to the Church driveway.

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NEW BUSINESS: The town board discussed a vehicle accident that damaged the town hall ADA handicap ramp on July 25, 2021 and asked Kleven to contact the driver's insurance company to start the claim process. The town board will block off handicap ramp, place caution tape on it, and get some repair estimates. There was some discussion. The town board discussed purchasing two more security cameras for the town hall property. Gillard will research some compatible security camera quotes. The town officers had some discussion regarding town officer's duties.

OLD BUSINESS: The town board discussed the town hall vandalism that happened on July 2, 2021. The town officers have met with minor offenders and their parents. At this time, the town board will not press legal charges; but will request that minors pay to replace damages of \$300.00 and do community service at the town hall property with town officer supervision. Kleven will draft a letter to the minors and families per discussion. Gillard postponed discussing the conflict of interest statutes pertaining to the town officers prior to approving resolutions. There was some discussion regarding supporting Midco internet local partnership. Kleven will complete the Midco partnership letter of support draft in August. Gillard is working on the summer town newsletter. There was some discussion regarding the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). Gillard made a motion to have Kleven complete the fund request application for ARPA; seconded by Friedland. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNICATION: There was discussion regarding Isanti County Planning and Zoning meeting agendas and minutes pertaining to Springvale Township. The District 7 MAT meeting is August 12, 2021 starting at 7PM.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Lindgren notified the town officers that the town hall flag pole is on backorder and the Cambridge Fire Department has offered the use of their ladder truck to help install the flag pole. The town board discussed having an appreciation cookout for Cambridge and Dalbo Fire Departments.

THE NEXT REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING IS ON SEPTEMBER 8, 2021 STARTING AT 6:30 P.M.

Gillard adjourned the meeting at 9:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Kleven
Clerk

Jacob Gillard
Chairman